

CARP Turning Point workshop at IPEC - Day 3

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If you've ever heard Gerry Servito present, you become captivated by the depth of heart from which he shares. That was especially true today as he gave a lecture on Jesus, testifying that even growing up Catholic, he never knew Jesus more than because of True Father. When he was a CARP student on campus, he shared with other students about his new understanding of Jesus, based on Father Moon's revelation.

"Today I now understand Jesus more because I understand True Father. Through that, I now understand True Father even more." – A. Martires

At the conclusion of Uncle Gerry's lectures, he urged participants to think about the theme "Turning Point" as more than just something for ourselves as individuals. Instead, he urged us to think that this moment can be a turning point for the future of this country. He continued, saying so many people love God, love Jesus, and want to create an ideal world but don't know where to look or how to do it. The participants were encouraged to share the Principle with others.

As a perfect ending of Uncle Gerry's two days of lectures, he concluded with a handwritten song he wrote years ago when he discovered the principle about the heart of God. He played guitar and sang so beautifully, touching everyone who gave a standing ovation. The lyrics came from the eyes and heart of God in wanting to create and share love.



Overall, the workshop is going really well. It takes some time for people to get comfortable in a new place with new people but you can feel the love through the singing sessions, in discussions, etc. Some people have noted that even the singing sounds better and better each day. You can't help but overhear the lovely chorus to feel deeply touched by the Holy Spirit.

Even though this may be a new experience for many people, they are opening up. We are creating something positive that brings people together. That's the CARP experience. We come together with love to create unity and peace.

"It's such a great environment – it feels so positive here. The whole setup of this place. It's hard to explain, but it's beautiful." – California student new to Divine Principle

In the evening, Andrew Love, the [Community Outreach Coordinator & Mentor for High Noon](#), gave a dynamic lecture on purity. He shared how our habits decide our destiny and encouraged the participants to be intentional in how they live life, especially to go to God instead of other cheap escapes like drugs, porn, etc.



He conveyed both the beautiful hope and ideal of love that God wanted for us and how, due to the Fall of Man, love was confused with lust and society has been struggling under the shadow of shame. Andrew shared examples of powerful men like King David, Bill Clinton, and Tiger Woods who lost their authority and foundation because they couldn't control their sexuality.

According to Father and Mother Moon, we are now in the 'High Noon' era where there is total sunlight in order that evil can be exposed. Because of that, we are living in a time of #MeToo so that the improper use of love or sexuality can no longer remain hidden. Andrew also encouraged young people to work on themselves, develop good habits, and become people of integrity as a strong foundation for their future marriages and relationships. Participants were encouraged with the vision of creating an ideal family and could see how their actions now contribute to that.